

9 July 1945

A BILL

To Amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended,  
and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the  
United States of America in Congress assembled, that (a) Sec. 1 of the  
Act of May 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 111; 5 U. S. C. 161 (a)), is hereby amended  
to read as follows:

"There shall be in the Department of State in addition  
to the Secretary of State an Under Secretary of State, three  
Deputy Under Secretaries of State, and ten Assistant Secre-  
taries of State."

(b) Section 2 of said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The Secretary of State and the officers referred to in  
section 1 of this Act, as amended, shall be appointed by the  
President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.  
The Counselor of the Department of State and the Legal Adviser,  
who are required to be appointed by the President, by and with  
the advice and consent of the Senate, shall rank equally with  
and shall receive the same salary as an Assistant Secretary of  
State. Any such officer holding office at the time the provisions  
of this Act, as amended, become effective shall not be required  
to be reappointed by reason of the enactment of this Act, as  
amended."

(c) "The President may initially fill two of the Deputy Under  
Secretary positions established in this Act by appointing, without  
further advice and consent of the Senate, the two Deputy Under

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Secretaries of State who, on the date of the enactment of this Act, held that designation pursuant to authority contained in section 2 of the Act of May 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 111)."

Sec. 2. There shall be in the International Cooperation Administration a Deputy Director who shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Deputy Director shall perform such functions as the Director of the International Cooperation Administration shall from time to time designate, and shall act as Director during the absence or disability of the Director of the International Cooperation Administration or in the event of a vacancy of the office of said Director. The Deputy Director shall receive the same compensation as a Deputy Under Secretary of State.

Sec. 3. Section 412 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 999), as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 412. There shall be ten classes of Foreign Service officers, including the classes of career ambassador and of career minister. The per annum salary of a career ambassador shall be \$22,500. The per annum salaries for Foreign Service officers within each of the other classes shall be as follows:

Career	
Minister	\$18,000, \$18,500, \$19,000, \$19,500, \$20,000;
Class 1	\$15,800, \$16,200, \$16,600, \$17,000, \$17,400, \$17,800;
Class 2	\$13,000, \$13,400, \$13,800, \$14,200, \$14,600, \$15,000, \$15,400;
Class 3	\$11,000, \$11,300, \$11,600, \$11,900, \$12,200, \$12,500, \$12,800;

Class 4

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Class 4    \$ 9,300, \$ 9,450, \$ 9,600, \$10,050, \$10,300, \$10,550, \$10,800;  
Class 5    \$ 7,600, \$ 7,850, \$ 8,100, \$ 8,350, \$ 8,600, \$ 8,850, \$ 9,100;  
Class 6    \$ 6,200, \$ 6,450, \$ 6,600, \$ 6,800, \$ 7,000, \$ 7,200, \$ 7,400;  
Class 7    \$ 5,200, \$ 5,350, \$ 5,500, \$ 5,650, \$ 5,800, \$ 5,950, \$ 6,100;  
Class 8    \$ 4,200, \$ 4,350, \$ 4,500, \$ 4,650, \$ 4,800, \$ 4,950, \$ 5,100."

Sec. 4. Section 501 (a) of such Act is amended by adding the phrase "career ambassadors and" immediately following the word "including".

Sec. 5. Section 502 (a) of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 502. (a) The Secretary shall, on the basis of recommendations made by the Board of the Foreign Service, from time to time furnish the President with the names of Foreign Service officers qualified for appointment to the class of career ambassador and class of career minister together with pertinent information about such officers. No person shall be appointed into the class of career minister who has not been appointed to serve as a chief of mission or appointed or assigned to serve in a position which, in the opinion of the Secretary, is of comparable importance. A list of such positions shall from time to time be published by the Secretary. No person shall be appointed into the class of career ambassador who has not (1) served for at least fifteen years in a position of responsibility in a Government agency, or agencies, including at least three years as a career minister; (2) rendered exceptionally distinguished service to the Government; and (3) met such other requirements as the Secretary shall prescribe."

Sec. 6. Section 518 of such Act is amended by inserting the words

"career ambassador or" immediately following the phrase "to the class of".

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Sec. 7. Section 631 of such Act is amended by inserting the words "a career ambassador or" immediately after the words "who is".

Sec. 8. Section 632 of such Act is amended by inserting the words "a career ambassador or" immediately following the words "who is not".

Sec. 9. (a) Section 811 (a) of such Act is amended by striking out "811. (a)" and inserting "811." in lieu thereof and by striking out the phrase "of all participants" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "received by each participant".

(b) Section 811 (b) of such Act is hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. Section 821 (a) of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 821. (a) The annuity of a participant shall be equal to 2 percentum of his average basic salary for the highest five consecutive years of service, for which full contributions have been made to the Fund, multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not exceeding thirty years. In determining the aggregate period of service upon which the annuity is to be based, the fractional part of a month, if any, shall not be counted."

Sec. 11. (a) Foreign Service officers and Foreign Service Reserve officers on active service on the effective date of this Act, shall, by virtue of this Act, be transferred from the classes in which they are serving on such date to the new classes established by this Act as follows: officers of the class of career minister to the new class of career minister; officers of class 1 to the new class 1; officers of class 2 to the new class 2; officers of class 3 to the new class 3; officers of class 4 to the new class 5; officers of class 5 to the new class 6;

officers

officers of class 6 to the new class 7.

(b) Under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, each officer so transferred shall receive salary at that one of the salary rates in the new class prescribed by section 412, as amended, which the Secretary shall consider it appropriate for such officer to receive, but which is not less than the salary rate which he was receiving in the old class immediately prior to such transfer.

(c) Whenever the salary rate which an officer is receiving immediately prior to the effective date of this Act exceeds the maximum salary rate provided for the new class to which he is transferred, such officer shall continue to receive that salary rate as long as he remains in the new class. If any such officer is subsequently promoted, he shall receive salary in the higher class at the lowest rate which exceeds the rate which he was receiving immediately prior to promotion.

(d) Officers heretofore eligible for in-class promotions who are transferred in accordance with the provisions of this section shall receive credit for time served in class from which transferred toward such in-class promotions in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe.

(e) In order to make the provisions of certain sections of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, consistent with the new organization of classes, the following references contained in the sections of that Act hereinafter enumerated shall be amended as follows:

(1) Section 414: The reference to "six classes" shall be amended to read "eight classes" and the reference to "classes 1 to 6" shall be amended to read "classes 1 to 8";

(2) Section 518:

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- (2) Section 516: The reference to "class 6" shall be amended to read "class 8";
- (3) Section 517: The references to "class 6" shall be amended to read "class 8", and the references to "class<sup>es</sup>/1 to 5" shall be amended to read "classes 1 to 7";
- (4) Section 634 (b): The reference to "classes 4 or 5" shall be amended to read "classes 4, 5, 6 or 7"; the reference to "class 4" shall be amended to read "classes 5 and 6"; and the reference to "class 5" shall be amended to read "classes 6 and 7";
- (5) Section 635: The reference to "class 6" shall be amended to read "class 8".

(f) Any Foreign Service officer in the former class 6 who, under the terms of this Act, is transferred to the new class 7 shall continue to occupy probationary status during the period of his service in such new class. The Secretary may terminate his service at any time. The provisions of section 634 (b)(1) of such Act shall not apply to any officer transferred to the new class 7 under sub-section (a) of this section.

Sec. 12. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Act, existing rules and regulations of or applicable to the Foreign Service of the United States shall remain in effect until revoked or rescinded or until modified or superseded by regulations made in accordance with the provisions of this Act, unless clearly inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 13. (a)

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Sec. 13. (a) Except as provided in sub-section (b) of this section, this Act shall take effect as of the first day of the first pay period which begins on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) This section and sections 1, 2 and 12 shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

July 9, 1955

Department of State